



Columbia Gateway Urban Renewal Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, September 19, 2006

City Hall Council Chambers

313 Court Street

The Dalles, OR 97058

Conducted in a handicap accessible room.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Zukin called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Administrative Secretary Denise Ball conducted roll call.

Present members: Ken Farner, Chris Zukin, Gary Grossman, Dick Elkins,
and Nikki Lesich (5:32 pm)

Absent members: Dan Ericksen

Staff present: Dan Durow, Community Development Director, Steve Schafroth,
Consultant, and Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Zukin lead the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Grossman moved to approve the agenda and Farner seconded. The motion carried unanimously, Ericksen absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Zukin asked if there were any corrections or additions needed for the minutes of May 16, 2006. Farner moved to approve the minutes as submitted and Elkins seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, Ericksen absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ACTION ITEM:

Property Rehab. Grant and Loan – Civic Improvements Grant Program

- ❖ Application from Old St. Peters Landmark Preservation, Inc.

Steve Schafroth, Urban Renewal Consultant presented the Staff Report. This application from Old St. Peters Landmark Preservation, Inc. received on 7/26/06 was the only grant application that was received by the 7/31/06 deadline for this semi-annual period. This application is for a grant of \$34,194.73. The purpose of the project is for preservation of the building that they own at West 3rd and Lincoln Streets known as Old St. Peters Landmark. This request for \$34,194.73 consists of 18,984.73 of the \$19,800.00 cost of the stairs and \$15,210.00 for restoration of five stained glass windows that are in danger of falling apart.

Lesich asked if there is anyone in the Gorge who could restore the stained glass windows. The application says they will be taken to Portland for restoration. Doug Leash said there was no one local he could find.

Director Durow said more applicants were anticipated, but, for various reasons, no additional applications were submitted.

Farner said the thing that really impressed him the most about the Church Board and 30+ volunteers is that they have preserved a first class facility that is a great asset to the community and it is also well maintained and operated. Farner complimented the entire group through their representative, Doug Leash.

Lesich added that St. Peters Landmark is one of the prideful corners of downtown. It truly reflects the people that manage and support it and they do an excellent job. The new parking lot across the street compliments the facility nicely.

Lesich moved to recommend that the Urban Renewal Agency approve the request for a \$34,194.73 grant as submitted. Elkins seconded the motion and it carried unanimously, Ericksen absent.

Urban Renewal Consultant Update: Durow told the Committee that Jeff Tashman is working on the numbers for the remaining 9 years until the end of the Agency. Projects that need to be finished include: 1st Street, 3rd Street, 4th Street, East Gateway and West Gateway. Durow said the Agency has about \$6,000,000 in funds that are not committed to current projects. The life of the Agency can be extended or a second Urban Renewal District can be established.

Lesich again recommended advertising Urban Renewal successes by putting signs on the Urban Renewal Projects. Durow said he would follow up on that. Durow said he would also prepare a report showing the total investments of the Urban Renewal Agency.

FUTURE MEETINGS

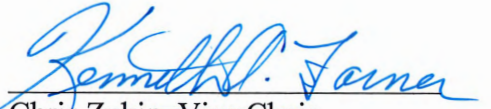
The next scheduled meeting is October 17, 2006

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Denise Ball, Administrative Secretary.


~~Chris Zukin, Vice Chair~~
Ken Farner, Acting Chair